I.C.P.O. Calendar

Sep 23 - Oct 01, 2004

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Islands, Castles & Portable Operations
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year)
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23/09/2004: Look for Manu, FO5RJ, to be QRV September 23-31st from the island of Tahiti (IOTA OC-046, DIFO FO-002). Activity will be on 40, 20 and 15 meters, using an Icom 756proII (100 watts) and Cushcraft MN8 antenna. QSL via F8IVJ (QRZ.com). [Tnx F4DVW]

23/09/2004: Gianni, IK8VRN, will be active September 23 - 26, 2004, as IG9/IZ8CGS from Lampedusa Island (IOTA AF-019, IIA AG-001, MIA MI-126). QSL via home call, direct or via the bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

23/09/2004: Five members of the Workington & District Amateur Radio Club will be QRV as MS0WRC from the Isle of Arran between September 23rd and 26th. Team: G0MTD - Steve Topping, M0DHV - Joe Loy, M0XAT - Malcolm Harwood, 2E0MAX - Mark McSherry and Unlicensed Junior - Daniel Wrightson. HF equipment: Kenwood TS570, Yeasu FT 920. VHF/ UHF equipment: Yeasu FT2800. Antennas: Wire dipoles 20/40/80M, 5 and Cobweb, 20M Delta Loop, VHF/UHF co-linear. QRV 80M - 10M SSB & VHF/UHF FM. Location Details: Island of Arran within North Ayrshire, the village of Lamlash (IOTA: EU-123, QRA Locator: IO75KM, WAB: NS03). QSL cards via the bureau or direct to G0MTD (Stephen Topping, 7 Beckstone Close, Harrington, Workington, Cumbria CA14 5QR, England, U.K). [Tnx MM0DFV]

23/09/2004: Members of the World Wide Young Contesters (WWYC) plan to activate Market Reef (EU-053) as OJ0YC between September 23rd and 26th. The team of operators include SM3WMV (Mike), OZ1AA (Thomas), KU5B (Colin) OH6GDX (Pat) at the moment. The DXpeditions goal is to be a multiplier in the Scandinavian Activity SSB Contest (Sep 25-26th), and to be on the air as a serious competing station too. They will also work a bit of RTTY during the contest the same weekend, but the main focus will be on the SAC SSB. Apart from HF, OH6GDX will mainly be focusing on working 2 meters (maybe also 70cm). Activity on 2m will be at least on the FSK441a, CW, SSB, FM modes. Mike promised to work some 6m QSOs too. QSL via OH6GDX: Patrik Willfor, Langviksgatan 24 B13, FI - 65100 Vasa, Finland. [Tnx OPDX]

24/09/2004: Members of the Tennessee Valley DX Association (TVDXA) will activate Dauphin Island (IOTA NA-213, USI AL-002S, Mobile county Alabama) using the call W4D. They plan to be QRV about 19:00 UTC on Friday September 24, 2004, and will go QRT sometime on Monday September 27, 2004. The group will use 100w transceivers with various antennas and plan to be active on 80 through 10 meters SSB. Operators mentioned are: Barbarra - WA4RMC, Kathy - W4KRY, Lynn - KOMAI, Tom - K4VCM, Greg - WA4NFO, Kenny - AB4GG, Tommie - K4KWK and Paul - WA4AA. QSL via WA4AA (sase) or bureau. A W4D (www.w4d.us) website will be available to view the current status. Please direct inquires to wa4aa@arrl.net . [Tnx WA4AA]

25/09/2004: Salvatore, IK1AWV, will be QRV September 25th as IR1CL from Torre Piani Paorelli di Costarainera (DCI reference IM-093, for the

Italian Castles Award). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB. This reference is located in the Region of Liguria, Province of Imperia (IM). A QSL card will be automatically sent to all stations contacted, via the bureau. The SWL can request a bureau QSL card by e-mailing Salvatore (ik1awv@uno.it) and providing all the usual reception information. If a direct QSL is wanted, please use SASE / SAE + sufficient postage. [Tnx IK1AWV]

25/09/2004: Bill, KI4BBK (ARLHS member number 948) will be QRV September 25, 2004, (16:00-18:00 UTC) from the Chesapeake Light Tower (ARLHS reference USA-168), Virginia. The Primary frequency will be 14.270 MHz, but he will also try 18.145, 21.370 and 28.370 MHz as conditions permit. QSL via home call, direct with #10 sized SASE or SAE with sufficient postage. [Tnx KI4BBK]

25/09/2004: Andy (RW9WA) and Rimma (RZ9WM) will be active September 25 - 26th as RN9WWW/p from Kumertau City (RDA reference BA-17, for the Russian Districts Award), the Kugarchinsky Area (RDA BA-61) and the Kujurgazinsky Area (RDA BA-62), Republic of Bashkortostan (BA). QSL via the bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

25/09/2004: RA4HT, RW4HIH and RW4HIF will be active September 25 - 26th as UE4HDA/p from the Bogatovsky Area (RDA reference SR-23, for the Russian Districts Award), the Kinel'sky Area (RDA SR-31), the Pohvistnevsky Area (RDA SR-39), Pohvistnevo City (RDA SR-18), the Kamyshlinsky Area (RDA SR-30) and the Kljavlinsky Area (RDA SR-33), Samarskaya oblast (SR). They will also be active as UE4HDA/9 from the Buguruslansky Area (RDA OB-23) and the Severny Area (RDA OB-44), Orenburgskaya oblast (OB). QSL via RW4HB, direct or through the bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

25/09/2004: Tom, WA6WPG, will be active September 25 and 26, 2004, as WA6WPG/p from Santa Barbara Island (IOTA NA-066, USI CA-010S) and lighthouse (WLHA LH-0258, ARLHS USA-736) located in Santa Barbara county, California. Tom will use solar panels and two large batteries and he expects to be able to run 100 watts both days on 80 through 10 meter SSB and CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425DXN]

25/09/2004: Members of Atacama Desert Dx Group and Radio Club La Serena will be active September 25 and 26, 2004, as XR2G from Gaviotas Island (SA-086) to commemorate the 40th IOTA Aniversary. This will be a multi-mode and band operation, 80 through 10 meters, including WARC bands, using CW, SSB, BPSK31, RTTY and SSTV. Further information will be available on their web site, which is currently under construction. [Tnx XQ1IDM]

26/09/2004: Laci HA0HW (J45HW), Tomi HA4DX (J45DX) and a third HA operator will be active September 26th to October 3rd from Rhodes (IOTA EU-001, MIA MGD-028). Activity will be on 40 through 10 meter CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425DXN]

26/09/2004: The annual Open Doors for Telecommunications in Mezieres (Ardennes) (North of France, near the Belgian border) will take place September 26, 2004. Look for the special call TM9POR to be active on HF, VHF and UHF, using SSB, CW, ATV, SSTV, APRS and Packet. QSL via operator's instructions. [Tnx F5NQL]

27/09/2004: A group of operators from the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society plan to operate as 9K2F from Failaka Island (AS-118) for 3-4 days at the

end of September. QSL via 9K2RA (P.O. Box 5240, Safat 13053, Kuwait). [Tnx 425DXN]

27/09/2004: Albert, IT9MRM, will be QRV September 27 - 28, 2004, as IH9/IT9MRM from Pantelleria Island (IOTA AF-018, IIA TP-001, MIA MI-124). Activity will be on 40, 20 and 15 meter SSB, starting 12:00 UTC September 27 until 20:00 UTC September 28. QSL via home call, direct (Albert Mattei, Via E. Millo, 20 Augusta 96011 (SR) ITALY) or via the bureau. [Tnx IT9MRM]

27/09/2004: Look for Palle, OZ5MJ/p and Jakob, OZ7AEI/p to be QRV September 27th from the following islands and lighthouses:
Island IOTA DIA ARLHS LH
Thuroe EU-172 FY-016 DEN-220 + 221 Thuroe BF + FF
Taasinge EU-172 FY-015 DEN-161 + 162 Vindebyoere FF + BF
Sioe EU-172 FY-021 DEN-218 Sioe S FF
Langeland EU-172 FY-019 DEN-163 Keldsnor
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Activity will begin on 20 meter SSB, at each location, and later on 40 meters. There is the possibility they will activate 1 or 2 new islands for DIA later that day, but only if they are good for the DIA rules. QSL via home calls, direct or through the bureau. Further information can be found at http://oz7aei.qrz.dk [Tnx OZ7AEI]

29/09/2004:
Steve, K7USJ, will be QRV September 29th to October 2nd from Iriomote Island (IOTA AS-024, JIIA AS-024-003). Activity will be on 40 through 6 meter CW and SSB, as well as 29.300 MHz FM. QSL via K7USJ (direct) or 7J1AIL (direct or bureau). [Tnx 425DXN]

01/10/2004: Andre, ZS6WPX, will be active October 1st to 13th from Mayotte Island (AF-027) as FH/ZS6WPX. Activity will be on 160-10 meters as well as 6 meters. Operations will be on SSB, Digital and some CW. QSL direct only via ZS6WPX (Not to ZS QSL Bureau!). [Tnx OPDX]

01/10/2004: Nuccio, I7YKN and other members of the Strange Radio Team (Umberto/I0NZK, Christine/I7OCD, Luigi/IW8EQS, Simone/IZ0BTV, Francesco/IZ7AUH, Fabio/IZ7CRW, Marco/IZ7DOK, Oreste/IZ8EDJ and Salvatore/IZ8GGF) will be active from three EU-091 islands in early October. They will use IL7/homecall/p. Expect activity from Isola del Capezzone (IIA LE-004, MIA MI-012) on the 1st, Chianca d'Abramo (IIA LE-017, MIA MI-017) on the 2nd and Grande di Porto Cesareo (IIA LE-002, MIA MI-040) on the 3rd. QSL via I7YKN, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425DXN]
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LOOKING AHEAD -

07/10/2004: Look for Neil to be QRV October 7-10th as V63NS from Pohnpei Island (IOTA OC-010). Activity will be QRP CW, with some PSK. QSL via V73NS (QRZ.com). [Tnx V73NS]

11/11/2004: Look for Jeff, VA3QSL/W4, to be QRV on IOTA NA-069 between November 11 - 13, 2004. He plans to activate Estero (USI FL-035S, Lee county) and possibly Sanibel (USI FL-021S, Lee county) and Captiva (USI FL-020S, Lee county) Islands, Florida. Activity will likely be on 14.260 +/- SSB. QSL via home call, bureau or direct with 1 greenstamp or 1 IRC. [Tnx VA3QSL]
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SPECIAL EVENTS -

25/09/2004: Members of the Cray Valley Radio Society are activating GB2BF next weekend (September 25-26th) to raise money for the British Wireless for the Blind. They will be on all the HF bands, except 24 MHz and 1.8 MHz. They will be running two stations - one on HF, one on the low bands. The more contacts they make, the more money they will raise for the fund. They have people who are sponsoring them per 100 QSOs, so the more QSOs the better! They will be active for the full 48 hours and expect to make well in excess of 1,000 QSOs. A special QSL card will be available, either direct or via the bureau to Owen, G4DFI. [Tnx OPDX]

25/09/2004: Milton, ON, Canada: Mississauga Amateur Radio Club, VC3HCR. 14:00-20:00 UTC daily September 25 and September 26, 2004. 50th Anniversary of Halton County Radial Railway Museum. 28.480 21.315 14.240 7.227 MHz. Certificate. MARC, c/o Michael Brickell, VE3TKI, 2801 Bucklepost Cres, Mississauga, ON L5N 1X6 Canada. Non-Canadians, send 2 IRCs or Green Stamps to cover postage. [Tnx VE3MIS]

26/09/2004: The Thornhill Radio Amateurs Club (TRAC), with the cooperation of the York-Durham Historical Railroad (YDHR), is pleased to announce: TRAC on Track - a mini DXpedition. This is not a trip to an exotic island or a perilous perch above an active volcano, but simply a fun trip on a train, with radios. All are invited to contact VA3RRT on Sunday September 26, 2004, between 11:00 am and 6:00 pm. Listen on 7.065Mhz +/- and 14.200Mhz +/- MHz. Full details can be found online at: http://www.trac.ca . [Tnx TRAC]

03/10/2004: Industry Canada has granted permission to use CG5 for VE5 and CF5 for VA5 prefix for the commemoration of Prince Albert's 100th birthday, using the special prefixes from October 3 to October 16. It is hoped that all Amateurs in Saskatchewan will use the special prefix and enjoy the special event. QSL via operator's regular call sign. [Tnx TCA]

23/10/2004: Authority has been granted to Mr. Jeffrey Hetherington, VE3JFF, to use the special event call sign VC3W between October 23 and December 23, 2004, to celebrate the 175th anniversary of the opening of the first Welland Canal on November 29, 1829. QSL via Jeffrey Hetherington VE3JFF, 139 Elizabeth Street West, Welland, ON L3C 4M3 Canada. [Tnx RAC]

29/10/2004: Authority has been granted to Ron Vander Kraats, VE3AT, to use the special event call sign VC3L between October 29 and November 29, 2004, to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the inauguration of the largest power generating project in Canada - LG2. QSL via Ron Vander Kraats VE3AT, 9 Jopling Avenue South, Islington, ON M9B 3P4 Canada. [Tnx RAC]

01/12/2004: Authority has been granted to Wade Smith, VE9WGS, to use the special event call sign VC9COAL between December 1 to December 31, 2004, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the naming of Minto, New Brunswick for the arrival of the railroad in 1904. QSL via Wade Gordon Smith VE9WGS, 96 Immigrant Rd, NB E4A 1B7 Canada. [Tnx RAC]

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ

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